



The Third Wente Wines Charity Golf Tournament raises funds beautify Aruba

This past weekend, Chairman of Wente Vinyards of California, Eric Wente, visited Aruba and hosted a number of events, culminating in a charity golf tournament at the Tierra del Sol Country Club and Golf Course. Head Pro of Tierra Del Sol, Oliver Riding, reports that the fairways were filled to capacity, as the maximum number of golfers allowed registered for the competition.

The tournament and events are arranged with the cooperation of the Wente distributor in Aruba, Govert van der Hout, proprietor of Arion Wine Company, N.V.

Golfers came back sunburned and hungry just as the sun was setting after a vigorous eighteen holes played against Aruba's famous winds. Various awards were distributed by Eric Wente, Govert and Oliver Riding after the players and guests enjoyed a light meal of soups and sandwiches on the pool terrace arranged by the Tierra del Sol culinary staff.

Going home with coolers filled with Wente wines for taking third place with a score of 58 was the team of I. Tjook and T. Hartman Kok. A very nice dinner for two was the reward for Doctor Robert Peterson and his wife Rosana, who make a good team on and off the course. Shine Helman and Lucia Martes won first prize, which is an all expense paid weekend at the Wente Vineyards, California's oldest family owned and continuously operated winery, founded in 1883 by C. H. Wente. This includes not only their airfare, but the opportunity to play on the championship golf course located on the winery premises designed by Greg Norman, and considered one of the most beautiful and challenging in Northern California. Their meals will also be in the award winning winery restaurant, making this tournament well worth their time and effort.

Additional prizes were given to Ernand D'Lisle for making the largest charitable contribution, and the team of Patrick Bosset and David Archer for winning the wine quiz competition, an interesting side game of the Wente Golf Tournament. At various holes, different Wente wines are offered for the players to sample and identify, and top score won Patrick and David their entrance fee into next year's tournament. The amusing side effect of all this wine tasting is that it might negatively affect a player's game, though some report their play improves with each tasting. By the end of the evening, a great deal of wine is consumed, and everyone has had a wonderful time!